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MEMORANDUM FOR: Acting Director of Training

SUBJECT

: Weekly Report #4

Assessment and Evaluation Staff

25 - 31 January 1962

### I. SIGNIFICANT ITEMS

A few days ago the Director of Personnel sent the A&E Staff a proposed revision of the fitness report form requesting our comments. In brief, we replied that the new form provided much less information than the old form. Several suggestions were made for improving the old form so that it would provide more information.

Mr. Emmett Echols invited C/A&E to discuss this matter on 26 January. He stated that the A&E Staff had made an erroneous assumption in its memorandum which discussed this matter. We had stated that we assumed the objective of the fitness report was to provide the maximum amount of information on an individual which differentiates his performance in quality and quantity from that of other persons doing similar work. The Director of Personnel stated that this is not the purpose of the fitness report. He sees the purpose as that of providing the supervisor the opportunity to rate the individual on his work and provide relevant comments. The simplest possible scale is needed for this purpose. The maximum information on an individual exists according to Director of Personnel in several sources other than the fitness report. Among these he mentioned the A&E Staff, Medical Staff, and Office of Security. It was pointed out to the Director of Personnel that those of us who have served on reviewing panels have found a paucity of information available in personnel files. It was his position that considerable informal information exists on people which is brought in to reviewing panels which should really not get into personnel files. This informal information is the people-get-to-know-what-you-are-like variety. Having learned that the purpose of the fitness report is to get this rather superficial type of information and to get it in a highly simplified form there was little that C/A&E had to offer as a rebuttal. The interview did not provide the opportunity to raise questions as to whether the use of informal sources of information was in the best interest of the Agency.

#### II. OTHER ACTIVITIES

1. In accordance with ADTR's recommendation 25X1A9a advised that an attempt should be made to secure the services of

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25X1A9a 25X1A9a 25X1A6a	in the support of his  Item 3). It was emphasized to the process of moving from might have other commitments. In that event A&E would be glad to have a psychologist go TDY to the  (Weekly ReswitA63, might be in at that time or the XA6a
	2. On 25 January C/A&E addressed the JOT's recently graduated from OC on the support the A&E Staff provides to Clandestine Services.
25X1A9a	3. A University of Minnesota graduate student, was in for pre-employment processing on 29, 30, and 31 January 1962. The Staff in general felt that he was a pleasant, young man who had the potentiality of further development. However, he has not had a wide range of experience outside the field of psychology. His psychological internship so far has been in vocational guidance. We shall continue to process his application. If stronger candidates present themselves this spring he probably would not be offered a position.
25X1A9a	in the personnel structure of DDP, telephoned C/A&E on 30 January and stated that he would soon pay our Staff a visit with the view of increasing our services to his office. At the same time he asked whether a copy of
25X1A9a	our Professional Employee Testing Battery could be passed to one of our sister services. has been getting together some material
25X1A9a	and information requested by was informed that we would be glad to cooperate on this problem; however, we had never handed out our tests to any other organization since we wish to protect them. We have almost always been able to handle this type of request by assembling another battery which could be used effectively if we knew exactly what type of an
25X1A9a	organization was to use it and what their objectives were in using
25X1A9a	psychological testing. has arranged a meeting for C/A&E and himself with on Friday, 2 February, so this matter can be discussed in further detail.
25X1A9a	5. On 30 January , AC/ and and C/A&E lunched
25X1A9a	together to discuss psychological support to the program. stated that although the 25X1X1
25X1A9a	operations have been held to a minimum this year he expects them to continue on a very selective basis. He stated that he had several requirements for our office. Will be asked in the near future to visit, with an SR case officer, two Russian speaking psychologists at universities here on the East Coast for the purpose of obtaining data on some individuals with whom these psychologists are in contact. C/A&E was requested to take a trip with one of the case officers to interview certain high level contacts. Since C/A&E

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cannot spare the time at present, was recommended to for this project. Case Officer on this matter this week. C/A&E was requested to conduct an assessment for SR on the evening of 1 February. Since we 25X1A have not had a request from SR for a number of months we are gla25X1A to know that they are still interested in using our services.

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